Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):*

(*a*) A sum of Rs. 87,589 was spent in the year 1939-40 towards renewals as distinguished from maintenance.

(*b*) Rs. 82,754—13—11.

Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty *(Ezhuvas-Trichur):* May I know what will be the cost of these sleepers if all of them are replaced?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* I want notice.

DEPARTMENTAL TESTS—TALUK-WAR STATEMENT OF CANDIDATES

198. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the number of candidates appearing for the Departmental Tests from, and from the offices of, Trichur, Talappalli and Chittur Taluks;

(*b*) the number appearing from the other Taluks;

(*c*) the amount spent this year as T. A., supervision allowance, etc., for officers coming down from the Taluks referred to above in sub-division (*a*);

(*d*) amount spent for others;

(*e*) whether there is any objection for having the examination in two centres?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):*

(*a*) 147.

(*b*) 122.

(*c*) Rs. 231—7—7.

(*d*) Rs. 62—13—0.

(*e*) Under the existing arrangement, the printing of question papers for a day's examination is done in the Government Press that morning itself, and the Press staff connected with the printing are let out only half an hour after the last paper on the day has been issued to candidates. This arrangement has obvious advantages. There is no necessity for two centres.

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മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ഡിപ്പാർട്ട്മെൻറൽ പരീക്ഷയും S. S. L. C. പരീക്ഷ നടത്തുന്നപോലെ തൃശ്ശിവപേരൂരും ഒരു സെൻറർ വെച്ചു നടത്തുവാൻ പാടില്ലെ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* There is no necessity for two centres. After all, the number of candidates is not very much, and they can all appear together. It will create unnecessary arrangements for making papers available at short notice at different centres and also for making separate arrangements for keeping them confidential. It can be done in one centre.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: അങ്ങിനെചെയ്താൽ അതു ഗവൺമെണ്ടിന്നു ആദായമല്ലെ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts):* There is no gain for the Government.

CARS PROHIBITED FROM USE—NUMBER OF

199. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* Will Government be pleased to state the numbers of cars registered in this State that have been prohibited from use, and that have been subsequently used, after such prohibition ?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* There has been no such instance.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* In the absence of a comma, the question is meaningless. I want to have a comma after "numbers" and another comma after "State". I would like to know whether the Commissioner of Police can give an answer when the question is so re-punctuated.

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Even then I find it very difficult to make out.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* It is your misfortune.

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* Perhaps the hon'ble member's also.

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* It is a fact that some numbers have been prohibited.

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):* No number is prohibited. Numbers are cancelled and cars are prohibited. Now, what is it that you want to know?

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